

**SANTA MARGARITA WATER DISTRICT  
DIRECTOR**

**BETTY H. OLSON**

**OCCUPATION:** Water Scientist

I will work to protect the quality and security of our water supply, to plan for future water needs and to keep our rates and taxes stable.

My 25 years experience (including 200 water research articles) as a water scientist helps insure that healthful and safe water will be delivered.

MS, PhD, in Environmental Health Sciences, UC Berkeley.

UCI professor, Environmental Health Science.

Served on federal and international water committees (FDA, EPA, NAS/NRC).

Our district's achievements during these last four years have been awesome, but we can and will do better!

We:

Lowered water and tax rates.

Refinanced and shortened infrastructure debt to capture lower interest rates and interest reserves saving \$13,000,000 (present day) tax dollars.

Planned ahead for economic downturns. When the power crisis hit, our rate stabilization fund avoided a rate increase.

Initiated projects to extend our emergency water purchasing capacity.

Expanded and improved wastewater treatment to deliver 5,000,000 gallons/day more recycled water.

Reduced our frequency of sewer spills by 51 percent.

Sought innovative conservation measures to meet future water needs.

Are planning for increased water storage for efficient water delivery.

Vote Betty H. Olson, Director SMWD, so I may continue to serve our water needs.